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THE GUEST

A little village in Russia - a well-lighted cosy inn, dancing and jazz. By contrast another inn - no patrons - no business. Suddenly a bearded stranger enters and asks for a drink. He is served, complains of the quality and angrily asking for better drink displays a huge roll of bills--American money. The innkeeper looks covetously - and when the stranger asks for food the innkeeper's wife goes for some supplies to the busy inn. Here, to her surprise, she learns that the bearded man at her inn, is her son who went to America ten years before. Filled with a strange dread, she hurries back - and overcome by the sight of a knife dropping with blood she fears the worst -- and faints. But joy and comfort is restored for when she recovers, she looks up into the face of her boy and her husband; the blood was from the goose that had been killed for the Guest.

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